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☐ Video Conference

☐ Personal (Copy given to: ☐ Applicant ☐ Applicant's representative)

Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated: ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, provide a brief description:

Part I.

Rejection(s) discussed:

Final Office Action of 3/31/2005

Claims discussed:

1-3,5-8,10-13,15-18,20-23,25-28 and 30

Prior art documents discussed:

Part II.

SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:

See Continuation Sheet

Part III.

☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.

☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.

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Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: 1. This communication is a continuation sheet to an interview conducted on August 9, 2005. In the interview, the Applicant agreed to replace claims 1-3, 5-8, 10-13, 15-18, 20-23, 25-28 and 30 as amended on February 24 with the version of October 21, 2004 for each claim, respectively. Note the October 21, 2005 version of claims 1-3, 5-8, 10-13, 15-18, 20-23, 25-28 and 30 was allowed on January 6, 2005. The Examiner agreed to allow the Claims 1-3, 5-8, 10-13, 15-18, 20-23, 25-28 and 30 as amended in the following version at next response to the Applicant's response to the Examiner's Action.

Listing of the Claims:

1. A method comprising:

configuring search indices on a server, the search indices being associated with corresponding business components; displaying the search indices to a user of a client, the client being connected to the server via a computer network and being configured to perform search using data records stored on the client; providing the user of the client with a mechanism to individually select one or more search indices for download onto the client; and downloading the one or more selected search indices from the server onto the client, the one or more selected search indices to be used for searching on the client, wherein search index related information including index identifier and search engine identifier is stored in a first table and search index related file attachments are stored in a second table.

2. The method of claim 1 wherein each search index is associated to a corresponding search category.

3. The method of claim 2 wherein displaying the list of search indices includes: displaying a list of search categories that are associated to the search indices.

4. (Canceled).

5. The method of claim 1 wherein downloading includes:

performing a database synchronization operation to download index files containing search indices as attachments onto the client.

6. The method of claim 5 further including:

performing an uncompress operation to uncompress the index files downloaded from the server into a specific directory on the client.

7. The method of claim 1 wherein each search index is represented by a corresponding search index object which includes an index identifier and a business component identifier of a specific business component to which the respective search index is associated.

8. The method of claim 1 wherein configuring the search indices includes: defining a search index object for each business component that needs to be indexed by a search engine; and associating the respective search index object to the corresponding business component.

9. (Canceled).

10. The method of claim 1, wherein downloading includes:

marking associated index attachment files to be downloaded in response to the client's request for a database synchronization operation.

11. A system comprising: . logic to configure search indices on a server, the search indices being associated with corresponding business components; logic to display the search indices to a user of a client, the client being connected to the server via a computer network and being configured to perform search using data records stored on the client; logic to provide the user of the client with a mechanism to individually select one or more search indices for download onto the client; and logic to download the one or more selected search indices from the server onto the client, the one or more selected search indices to be used for searching on the client, wherein search index related information including index identifier and search engine identifier is stored in a first table and search index related file attachments are stored in a second table.

12. The system of claim 11 wherein each search index is associated to a corresponding search category.

13. The system of claim 12 wherein logic to display the list of search indices includes: logic to display a list of search categories that are associated to the search indices.

14. (Canceled)

15. The system of claim 11 wherein logic to download includes: logic to perform a database synchronization operation to download index files containing search indices as attachments onto the client.

16. The system of claim 15 further including:

logic to perform an uncompress operation to uncompress the index files downloaded from the server into a specific directory on the client.

17. The system of claim 11 wherein each search index is represented by a corresponding search index object which includes an index identifier and a business component identifier of a specific business component to which the respective search index is associated.

18. The system of claim 11 wherein logic to configure the search indices includes: logic to define a search index object for each business component that needs to be indexed by a search engine; and logic to associate the respective search index object to the corresponding business component.

19. (Canceled).

20. The system of claim 11, wherein logic to download includes: logic to mark associated index attachment files to be downloaded in response to the client's request for a database synchronization operation.

21. A machine-readable medium comprising instructions which, when executed by a machine, cause the machine to perform operations including: configuring search indices on a server, the search indices being associated with corresponding business components; displaying the search indices to a user of a client, the client being connected to the server via a computer network and being configured to perform search using data records stored on the client; providing the user of the client with a mechanism to individually select one or more search indices for download onto the client; and downloading the one or more selected search indices from the server onto the client, the one or more selected search indices to be used for searching on the client, wherein search index related information including index identifier and search engine identifier is stored in a first table and search index related file attachments are stored in a second table.

22. The machine-readable medium of claim 21 wherein each search index is associated to a corresponding search category.

23. The machine-readable medium of claim 22 wherein displaying the list of search indices includes: displaying a list of search categories that are associated to the search indices.

24. (Canceled)

25. The machine-readable medium of claim 21 wherein downloading includes: performing a database synchronization operation to download index files containing search indices as attachments onto the client.

26. The machine-readable medium of claim 25, wherein the operations further include: performing an uncompress operation to uncompress the index files downloaded from the server into a specific directory on the client.

27. The machine-readable medium of claim 21 wherein each search index is represented by a corresponding search index object which includes an index identifier and a business component identifier of a specific business component to which the respective search index is associated.

28. The machine-readable medium of claim 21 wherein configuring the search indices includes: defining a search index object for each business component that needs to be indexed by a search engine; and associating the respective search index object to the corresponding business component.

29. (Canceled).

30. The machine-readable medium of claim 21, wherein downloading includes: marking associated index attachment files to be downloaded in response to the client's request for a database synchronization operation..